THE MINISTEROF STATE IN THE INISTRYOF RAILWAYS(SHRIR VBLU; (a) Various facilities provided specially for foreign tourists are as under:

(i) Indtail Passes,

(ii) Foreign tourist qurta for reservatian.

(iii) Opening of Tourist Bureaus at major railway stations, and

(iv) Appointment of General Sales Agents foreign tourists,

(b) and (c) Harpallpur is a 'D' *category* station and as per bid down norms all the Minimum Essential Amenities have already been provided at this station..

Launching of low cost Palace on Wheels*

1931. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) whether *Government ate planning to launch a low-cost 'Palace' on* Wheels" to encourage tourism in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the *detaits* there of and the status of the proposal;

(c) whether Government would consider more such low-cost tourism oriented trains to promote tourism in other States, like Utter Pradesh and Uttaranchal: and

(d) if so, the detals thereof *and tie* status of such proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILAYS (SHR R. VELU); (a) to (d)NO, Sit, However, the Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation (RTDC) proposes to run a Metre Gauge (MG) luxury tourist train in the MG sections of Rajasthan covering Jatour,Bikaner Churu and Nawalgarh, The feasibitity of operating the train has not been detenmined Presenilly there is no other proposal for running in other S1tates,